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February 29, 2008

To: Supervisor Yvonne Burke, Chair  
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From: William T. Fujioka  
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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES MANAGEMENT APPOINTMENT

Consistent with the August 4, 1998 Board-approved policy on managerial appointments, we have reviewed and recommend Board approval of the request by Philip L. Browning, the Director of the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS), for the hiring of Mr. Rasesh Patel to the position of Information Systems Manager II at an annual salary of \$139,596.48. The requested salary is Step 11 of schedule S13 of the salary structure, and is below the control point.

The Information Systems Manager II is a newly added position that will oversee the Department's LEADER system and all aspects of the LEADER Replacement System which will soon enter the development phase. This high level position is necessary to insure that the Department does not repeat mistakes made during the development of the original LEADER system. Mr. Patel was interviewed by a panel consisting of the County's Chief Information Officer Jon W. Fullinwider, DPSS Director Philip L. Browning, DPSS Chief Deputy Sheryl L. Spiller, and DPSS Assistant Director for the Bureau of Contracts and Technical Services Michael J. Sylvester II. In addition, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Miguel Santana and staff interviewed the candidate.

Mr. Patel is currently a Senior Director of Information Technology for DIRECTV, Inc. with responsibility for planning, project management, governance and implementation of all large Information Technology projects. He has also worked on numerous development, installation and implementation projects as a consultant with Andersen Consulting (Accenture) and Deloitte Consulting. His current base salary is

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\$160,000 per year. Mr. Patel has a Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering degree and a Master of Business Administration degree.

Based on this information, we recommend the approval of Mr. Browning's request. In accordance with the policy on managerial appointments, please advise this office if you would like this request placed on an upcoming agenda for Board action. Unless otherwise instructed by March 11, 2008, we will authorize the Department of Public Social Services to proceed with this appointment.

Please contact James Blunt of my staff at (213) 893-2291 if you have any questions or need additional information.

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Attachment

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